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FOREIGN ASSISTANCE TO JHARKHAND
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects undertaken in Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh with foreign assistance;

(b) whether the agencies receiving foreign assistance are mainly providing assistance for the poverty alleviation programmes under these projects;

(c) if so, whether the complaints of irregularity have been received in these projects;

(d) if so, whether any investigation has been conducted into these complaints;

(e) if so, the action taken after the investigation; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) & (b) Details of the projects under implementation in Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh with foreign assistance during 2005-06 are furnished in the enclosed Statement. The projects are being implemented in sectors such as Forestry, Health, Power, Road, Land Management, Water Resources and Agriculture which have impact on poverty alleviation also.

(c) to (f) One complaint of irregularity in Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (SSA) Project in Jharkhand was received from the World Bank. Department of Elementary Education & Literacy has advised Government of Jharkhand to cancel the contract for printing of textbooks awarded to M/s Saraswati Press Ltd., Calcutta and re-advertise the contract and invite fresh bids for printing of text books as per procurement guidelines under SSA.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2272 dated 10th March 2006

Foreign Assistance to Jharkhand

Sl.No.	Agency	Name of the Project	Agreement date	Loan/Grant amount involved
		Jharkhand		
1	IDA	Jharkhand Participatory Forest Mgt. Project (Advance)	2/11/2004	US $ 0.515 million-Loan
2	IDA	Jharkhand Participatory Forest Mgt. Capacity Bldg.	6/5/2004	US $0.432 million-Grant
		Uttar Pradesh		
1	France	Supply & Implementation of Medical Equipment -UP	25/01/1998	Euro 4.604 million-Loan
2	IBRD	UP Power Sector Restructuring Project	19/05/2000	US $ 140.30 million-Loan
3	IBRD	UP State Road Project	19/02/2003	US $ 488 million-Loan

4 IDA UP Sodic Land Reclamation 4/2/1999 XDR 141.7 million-Loan
Project-II
5 IDA UP Water Sector Restructuring 8/3/2002 XDR 90.47 million-Loan
Project
6 EEC Ravine Stabilization in UP 17/04/1997 Euro 7.9 million-Grant

7 Nether Ganga Action Plan Support 23/07/1997 Euro 24.12 million-Grant
lands Project
8 Nether Bundel Khand Integrated Water 12/6/1996 Euro 1.27 million-Grant
lands Project
9 UK Western India Rainfed Farming 21/04/1999 GB Pound 15.09 million-Grant
Project II

XDR- Special Drawing Right